(d) IISCO has been declared sick and referred to BIFR in June, 1994. The main reason for losses in IISCO is its obsolete technology.

Visakhapatnam Steel Plant (VSP) has not been declared as sick but has been reported to BIFR, under the Sick Industrial Companies Act, as its net losses have eroded 50% of its net worth. The losses of VSP are mainly due to high capital related charges *i.e.* interest and depreciation and sluggish market conditions prevailing in domestic and international markets.

Welfare of Tribals in Uttar Pradesh

†2574. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI : Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there was a provision of Rs. 700 crores for the welfare of tribals in the budget for the year 1999-2000; and

(b) if so, the amount out of this provided to Uttar Pradesh and the number of persons who have been benefited from the said amount alongwith the names of the districts?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM) : (a) The provision in R. E. 1999-2000 in respect of various schemes/programmes for the welfare of Tribals implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs was as follows:—

Plan Rs. 684.25 crore (inclusive of Rs. 62.75 crore for Post-Matric Scholarship for Tribals implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Non-Plan Rs. 0.19 crore.

(b) A statement is enclosed.

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Details of funds released to Uttar Pardesh in respect of schemes for welfare of tribals implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, number of persons benefited, etc.

S. No.	Name of the scheme	Amount released to Uttar Pradesh during 1999-2000 (Rs. in lakh)	No. of beneficiaries	Districts covered
1.	Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan	100.00	1841* families	No District-wise allocation is made
2.	Grants under proviso to article 275 (1) of the Constitution	42.08	Not quantifiable	-do-
3.	Education Complex in Low Literacy pockets for development of ST girls Literacy in Tribal Areas	9.92	330	Balrampur, Siddarth Nagar, Kanpur Dehat, Bahraich,
4.	Vocational Training in Tribal Areas	3.61	100	Siddarth Nagar,
5.	Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes	28.00	3565	Faizabad, Azamgarh, Lucknow. Gonda.
6.	Researh and Training	1.40	Not quantifiable	
7.	Development of primitive Tribal Groups	74.80	Two primitive Tribal groups (Raji and Buxas)	Dehradun, Pithoragar, Udham Singh Nagar.

* Figure pertains to beneficiaries covered under point 11 (b) of the 20-point programme, under various welfare schemes for tribals, including the scheme of SCA to TSP.